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Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations

Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. Introduction

1. The previous recommendations made by the Fifth Committee to the General Assembly under agenda item 119 appear in the report of the Committee contained in document A/58/571.

2. The Fifth Committee resumed its consideration of the item at its 30th meeting, on 23 December 2003. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary record (A/C.5/58/SR.30).

II. Consideration of draft decisions A/C.5/58/L.55 and A/C.5/58/L.54

3. At the 30th meeting, on 23 December, the Chairman of the Committee introduced two draft decisions entitled "Biennial programme of work of the Fifth Committee for 2004-2005" (A/C.5/58/L.55) and "Questions deferred for future consideration" (A/C.5/58/L.54).

4. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft decisions A/C.5/58/L.55 and A/C.5/58/L.54 without a vote (see para. 5).

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III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

5. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft decisions:

Draft decision I

Biennial programme of work of the Fifth Committee for 2004-2005

The General Assembly, in accordance with paragraph 6 of its resolution 46/220 of 20 December 1991, approves the biennial programme of work of the Fifth Committee for 2004-2005 annexed to the present decision.

Annex
Biennial programme of work of the Fifth Committee for 2004-2005

A
Programme of work for 2004

1. Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors
2. Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations
3. Programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005
4. Programme planning
5. Improving the financial situation of the United Nations
6. Administrative and budgetary coordination of the United Nations with the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency
7. Pattern of conferences
8. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations
9. Human resources management
10. Joint Inspection Unit
11. United Nations common system
12. United Nations pension system
13. Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services
14. Administration of justice at the United Nations
15. Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991

16. Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994

17. Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations

18. Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations

19. Report of the Economic and Social Council

20. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments

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Programme of work for 2005

1. Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors

2. Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations

3. Programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005

4. Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007

5. Improving the financial situation of the United Nations

6. Joint Inspection Unit

7. Pattern of conferences

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Draft decision II

Questions deferred for future consideration

The General Assembly decides to defer to its resumed fifty-eighth session consideration of the following agenda items and related documents:

Item 127
Human resources management

Item 128
Administration of justice at the United Nations

Item 129
Joint Inspection Unit

(a) Report of the Joint Inspection Unit (A/58/34[1]);

(b) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the programme of work of the Joint Inspection Unit for 2003 (A/58/64);

(c) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the preliminary listing of reports for potential inclusion in the programme of work of the Unit for 2004 and beyond (A/58/291);

(d) Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the recommendations of the Joint Inspection Unit (A/58/220);

(e) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Joint Inspection Unit on the preliminary review of its statute and working methods (A/58/343);

(f) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Joint Inspection Unit on an in-depth review of its statute and working methods (A/58/343/Add.1);

Item 130
Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services

(g) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the annual report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services for the period from 1 July 2002 to 30 June 2003 (A/58/364);

(h) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the audit of the Headquarters Committee on Contracts (A/58/294);

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[1] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 34* (A/58/34).

(i) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the review of the structure and operations of United Nations information centres (A/57/747);

Item 134
Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations

(p) Report of the Secretary-General on the participation of United Nations Volunteers in peacekeeping operations (A/55/697);

(q) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations (A/55/874) and first report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the proposed budget for the biennium 2002-2003 (A/56/7[2]).

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[2] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 7* (A/56/7).